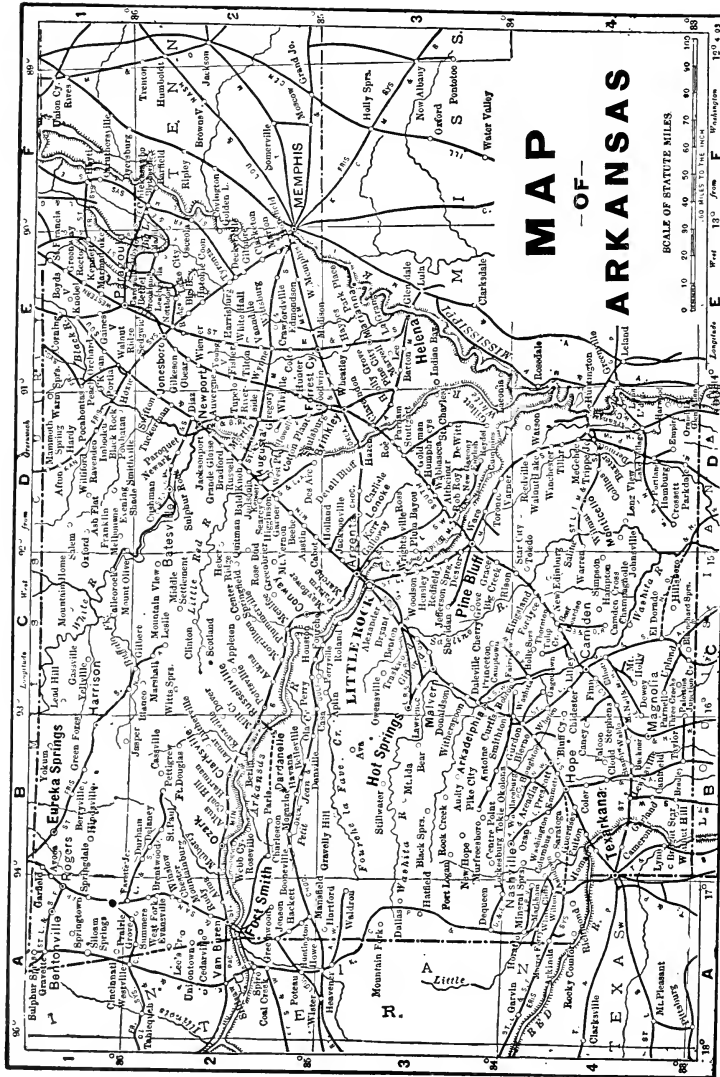


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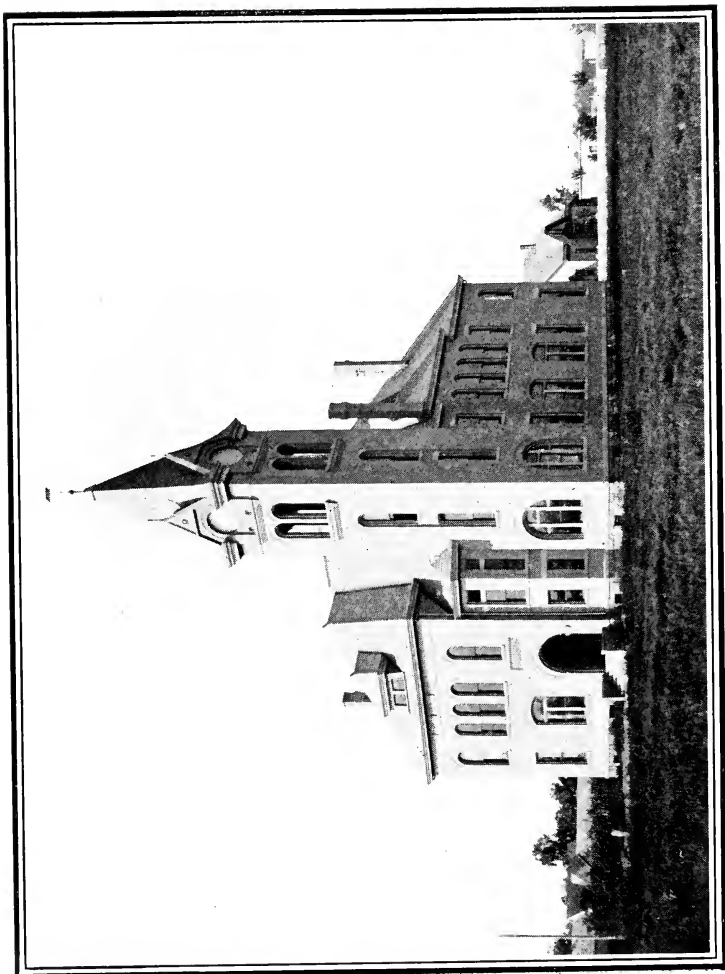
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Introductory



In the early days of the old world, away back in the dim days of history's dawn, humanity spread in all directions from the cradle of the race, by means of a series of migratory waves. In those ages the impulses and habits of man were savage and cruel, "might made right," and the weak had no valid claim upon the consideration of the strong. When the old home became too small to accommodate the people of a nation, swarming occurred, as a result of some internal influence, and a portion of the inhabitants, often numbering many thousands, detached themselves in a body, and taking their families and movable possessions with them, poured out into the wilderness or territory of neighboring tribes, slaying or driving out the people, and confiscating their property and lands. Violence and conquest accompanied each migratory movement, national wealth was usually accumulated by wholesale murder, pillage and robbery, and the new home was wrested by force from the former owner.

These were the attributes and the practices of the ancient home-seeker.

Times and customs have changed, and in this particular our race is infinitely the gainer. Now the people of the new or sparsely settled country advertise for and invite the conquest, and when the wave of immigration appears, the "guest chamber is made ready and the feast spread." This is the yankee way, and this is

the plan that is now being pursued by the people of **Northeast Arkansas** to induce the good people of all the older sections of our country to come here for new and prosperous homes.

In order to induce investigation it is not necessary to extol the fertility of our soils, the salubrity of our climate nor to point out our close proximity to market, for everybody who has ever given a thought to seeking a new home, already understands these fortunate features of our State. We will therefore confine ourselves in this pamphlet, to a brief description of a few of the northeastern counties of Arkansas, naming and describing the many good cities and towns located there, together with a general statement of the various lines of farming and other industries which are best adapted to, and most profitable in each special neighborhood.

We will try to make these statements as accurate and comprehensive as possible, keeping constantly in view the interests and desires of the **Homeseeker**, in whose hands we place these pages, to be to him **a guide and not an advertisement.**



CLAY COUNTY.

Area, 649 Square Miles. Population, 15,886. County Seats, Corning and Piggott. Railway Lands for Sale, 11,000 Acres.

This is the northeast corner county of Arkansas. The soil is a limestone silt, liberally mixed with dark sand, resting on a subsoil of red clay. The surface runs from gently rolling in the center to flat in both the east and west sections, with sufficient elevation in all parts for drainage purposes. Timber growth, oak, gum, hickory, elm, sycamore and cottonwood, with a sprinkling of poplar and walnut. Farm products are corn, wheat, oats, rye, millet, sorghum, cotton, potatoes, melons and vegetables. Early apples, peaches, pears, plums, grapes and small fruits. It is a good general stock country, and horses, cattle, hogs, sheep and poultry are successfully raised. Wild game is plentiful and the county is famous for its fishing. Corning, with a population of 784 and Piggott with 495 are the county seats and are both railroad towns.

Railroad lands range in price from \$3.50 for the poorest and most remote up to \$15.00 per acre for the most desirable. These prices may be considered as a basis upon which to estimate the value of improved lands, by adding to them the value of improvements. The industrial future of this county will be purely agricultural.

RANDOLPH COUNTY.

Area, 644 Square Miles. Population, 17,156. County Seat, Pocahontas
Railway Lands for Sale, 9,360 Acres.

Randolph county borders on the Missouri line, and is second from the Mississippi river. Its surface ranges from gently to heavily rolling and is crossed by several wide river and creek valleys. The soil comes largely from the disintegration of heavy deposits of limestone and is mixed with sand and generally underlaid by clay.

The minerals found within the county are, iron, lead, zinc, marble, limestone and valuable brick and tile clays.

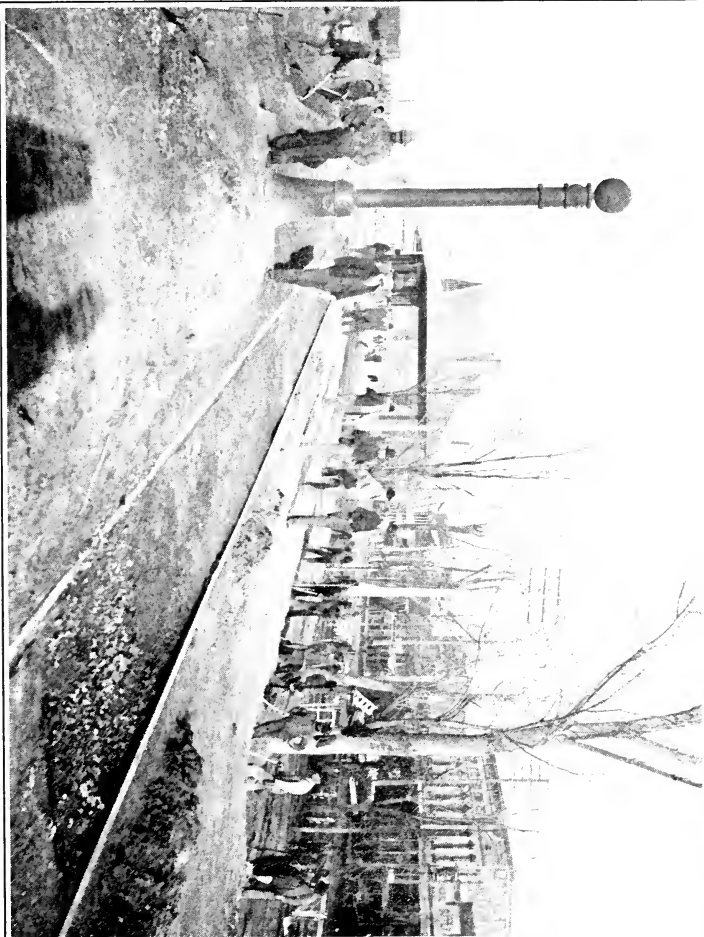
All grains, grasses, fruits and vegetables which were mentioned as adapted to the foregoing county also do well here. Heavy breeds of domestic animals do well below the stone levels, while lighter varieties are better suited to the higher altitudes. Game and fish are still plentiful. Pocahontas is the county seat and principal town and has a population of about 1,000. There are few negroes in the county. Heavy German colonies, both of Catholic and Protestant, are fast buying up and improving the available lands, prices of which range at from \$3.50 to \$10.00 per acre according to soil, location and value of timber growth. Improved lands may be had by paying an additional price to cover cost of improvements.

Farming, fruit raising, mining and manufacturing will all figure as important industries in the future of this locality.

GREENE COUNTY.

Area, 544 Square Miles. Population, 16,979. County Seat, Paragould.
Railway Lands for Sale, 18,360 Acres.

Greene county lies south of Clay and the St. Francis river forms its eastern boundary. Its surface is mostly level but is crossed from north to south, near the center, by Crowley's Ridge, which rises to an elevation of from 30 to 60 feet above the bottom lands on either side. The soil on the ridge is a dark clay loam, with enough of sand intermixed to make it work easily, while the bottom lands are covered by a deep, dark alluvium. The subsoil is of red and yellow clay. The timber growth is the same as that



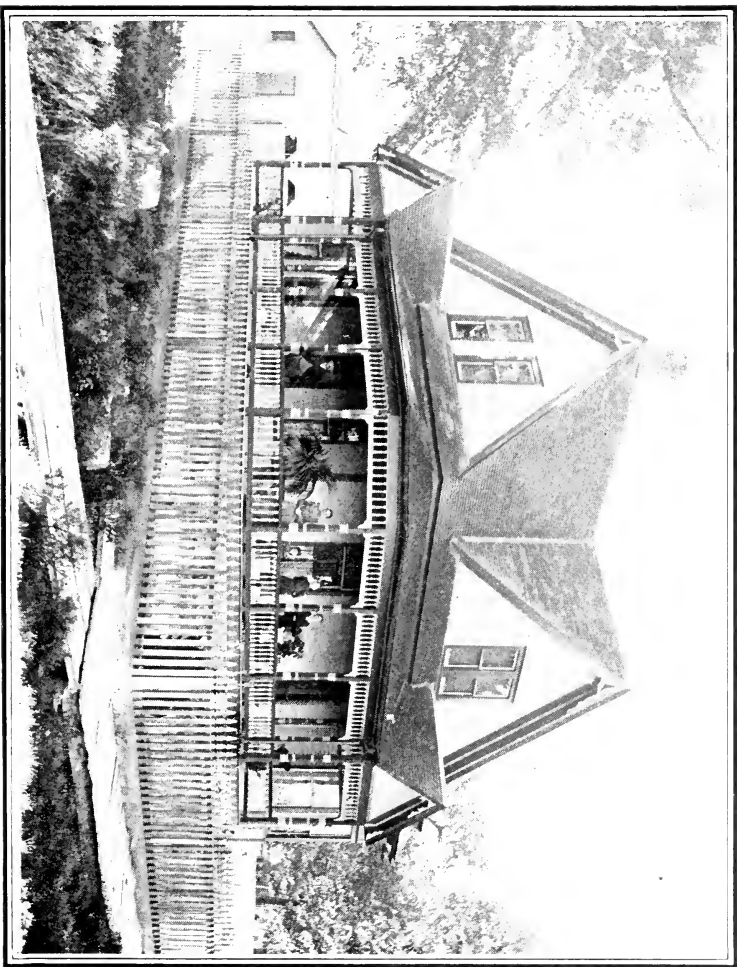
of Clay county, consisting entirely of hard wood. A long list of farm products are profitably grown, consisting of everything that can be grown on this latitude in the Union. It is a fine live stock country. Large game is becoming scarce but small game is plentiful and fishing is fine. The county is crossed by the Cache river. Both the St. Louis, Iron-Mountain and Southern and the St. Louis, Southwestern railroads cross the county and give it first-class railroad privileges.

Paragould, the county seat, is a fine city of about 4,500 population, located in a high, sightly place on the east slope of Crowley's Ridge, and has fine schools, many churches and all modern public improvements. Delaplaine and Marmaduke are also railroad towns and good trading points. The population of this county is nearly all white and comes from almost every State in the Union. Land prices range at from \$3.50 to \$15.00 for wild land, improved farms in proportion. These prices are too low when the earning capacity of the soil and the desirability of the location are considered, for the lands will, under operation, pay a fair income on \$50.00 per acre. Agriculture will always be the leading industry of the people.

LAWRENCE COUNTY.

Area, 589 Square Miles. Population, 16,491. County Seats, Walnut Ridge and Powhatan. Railway Lands for Sale, 9,350 Acres.

Lawrence county is one of the leading counties of Northeastern Arkansas and varies in surface from mountainous in the west to great stretches of fine bottom land in the east. The soil varies with the surface from clay loam to rich, deep alluvial deposits. Subsoil is red and yellow clay and in the western part is often underlaid on the plateaus by immense beds of limestone and marble. Iron, zinc and lead are found and manganese, phosphate and sulphur are probabilities. The full list of farm products mentioned in connection with other counties in the vicinity thrive here. Her soil and the water supply is unexcelled in both quality and quantity. All the leading farms are supplied with drive wells that are inexhaustable. Timothy, clover, alfalfa, Kentucky blue grass and



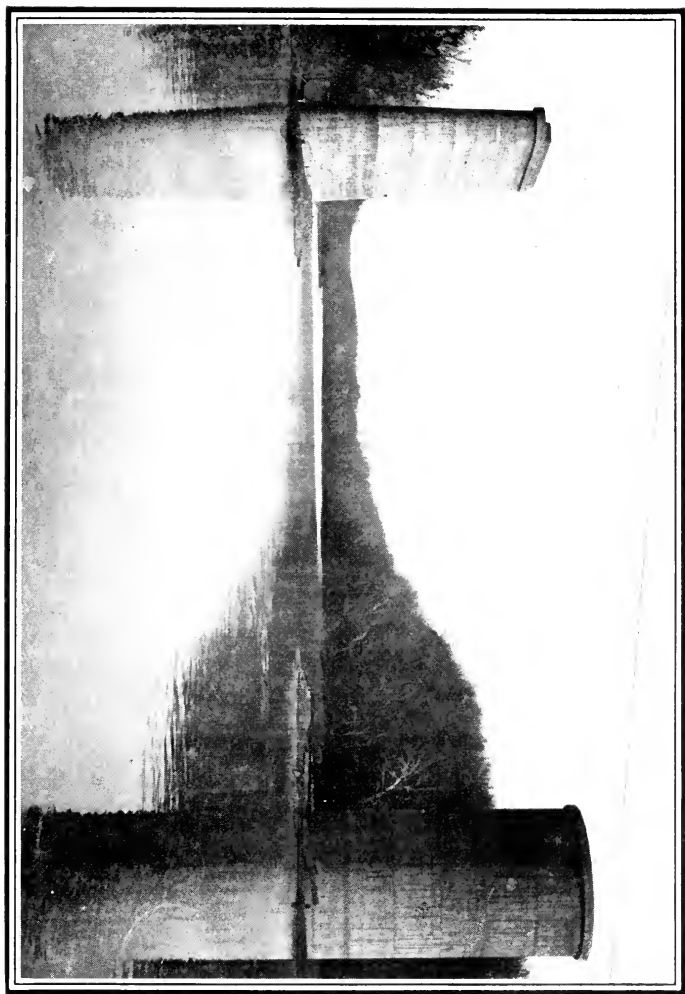
all the other leading pasture and meadow grasses do well. It is a first-class live stock country.

The Black river flowing through the center of the county is a fine navigable stream, while the Cache in the eastern section and the Strawberry river in the west end are also splendid streams. Game and fish are plentiful and fine camping places are found everywhere. The county is crossed by the main lines of both the Iron Mountain and Frisco systems which give first-class, competing service to all leading markets. Walnut Ridge is the leading city, with a population of more than 1,100, is located on the Iron Mountain Railway near Hoxie, its junction with the Frisco where a division station and round house is maintained by the former road. Other towns are Minturn, Alicia, Powhatan and Black Rock. It may not be amiss to state here that the little city of Walnut Ridge is conspicuous for its neat, clean, thriving appearance. It is a first-class point for either a home or business location and on account of its exceptionally fortunate railroad facilities is destined to become a very important city. A heavy movement of settlement from the States of Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, Illinois, Iowa and Missouri has been centering in the vicinity for several months past. Many fine farms are being opened up by the new citizens and prices of farm lands are beginning to rise as a result. There is but very little negro population in Lawrence county, and as the present movement is entirely of whites who have not been accustomed to managing colored help it is safe to say that few negroes will ever live there. There is scarcely a line of rural industry which is not adapted to Lawrence county.

SHARP COUNTY.

Area, 606 Square Miles. Population, 17,199. County Seats, Hardy and Evening Shade. Railroad Lands for Sale, 1,292 Acres.

This county lies almost entirely outside of the limits of the Iron Mountain Railway land grant, hence the small acreage of land owned by the company. It lies in a section that is generally mountainous, but is crossed by several rich valleys and the plateau lands are very productive. The soil is from limestone formation



and underlaid by a good foundation of clay and stone. The timber consists of an almost endless variety of growth, mostly hardwood with a sprinkling of walnut and red cedar. Iron, zinc, lead, marble, limestone, phosphate rock and manganese are the mineral deposits which occur. Where the surface is smooth enough for farming, fine yields of all crops are secured. Fruits, especially apples and stone fruits, are profitable. Live stock of all kinds do well. Game and fish are plentiful and beautiful scenery adds much to the general attractiveness of the locality. The north end of the county is crossed by a railroad, thus giving a market outlet for products. Hardy is the leading town and Evening Shade is also a thriving place. Population is almost entirely white and of native and northern birth. Land prices are low, owing to lack of railroad facilities. The section is best adapted to fruit growing, but fine productive grain lands are found on the smoother plateaus and broader valleys. The mineral deposits will form the basis of great industries as soon as they are reached by transportation.

CRAIGHEAD COUNTY.

Area, 682 Square Miles. Population, 19,505. County Seats, Jonesboro and Lake City. Railroad Lands for Sale, 2,960 Acres.

This county lies about thirty-five miles south of the Missouri line and the same distance west of the Mississippi river. Crowley's Ridge passes through the center from north to south, dividing it into two almost equal sections. That on the east contains the greater portion of the "sunk land" district, which is drained by the St. Francis River, while the part lying west of the ridge comprises the wide, rich valley of the Cache River. Both these divisions are low and level and must be drained by deepening and straightening the channels of the two streams. When this is accomplished the whole face of the county will be a veritable garden of fertility. The steam shovel will make more millionaires in this and surrounding counties than all other industries combined. All the native and cultivated products of the soil which are adapted to the normal conditions of the section, do well in Craighead county. Architectural clays of fine quality and a superior variety

of yellow ocher are found. Live stock, from horses to poultry, does well. Plenty of game and fine fishing are among the attractions. Three systems of railroad traverse the county, all centering at Jonesboro, the chief city, where a population of 4,508 forms a busy, modern center. About 80 per cent. of the population is white, many of whom are Germans from the northern states and Germany. Land prices run from \$3.00 up, and the destiny of the county is an agricultural paradise.

JACKSON COUNTY.

Area, 643 Square Miles. Population, 18,383. County Seat, Newport.
Railroad Lands for Sale, 18,660 Acres.

Located in the center of northeast Arkansas, touched by three navigable streams and crossed by two independent railway systems with a surface just right for farming and a soil of inexhaustible fertility, the great wonder is that land in this splendid county can be bought so cheap. The great forest of valuable woods is fast yielding place to fine fields of cotton, corn, wheat, oats, potatoes, and almost any other crops her people choose to plant. Fine herds of blooded cattle, hogs and sheep are found about the homes of the leading farmers, and orchards of fine fruits lend an air of luxury and ease to their surroundings. Game is fast stepping aside to give place to domestic animals, but fish are plentiful and many well stocked lakes and streams are well known to lovers of the sport in other States. Newport is a city of more than 4,000 people, and is rapidly expanding in population, trade and manufactures. Other towns are Swifton, Tuckerman and Jacksonport. A heavy colored population is employed on the great cotton plantations of the county, but they form an unimportant factor as compared with the total population. Lands can be had at from \$5.00 to \$15.00 per acre. Because of its location at the entrance of the Grand Scenic Valley of the upper White river, its many miles of railway and navigable stream, together with the home products of its forests and fertile soil Jackson county and the city of Newport are destined to great industrial development in many lines, and no one who is in search of a home or a business location will be disappointed if he locates here.

INDEPENDENCE COUNTY.

Area, 779 Square Miles. Population, 22,557. County Seat, Batesville.
Railroad Lands for Sale, 25,586 Acres.

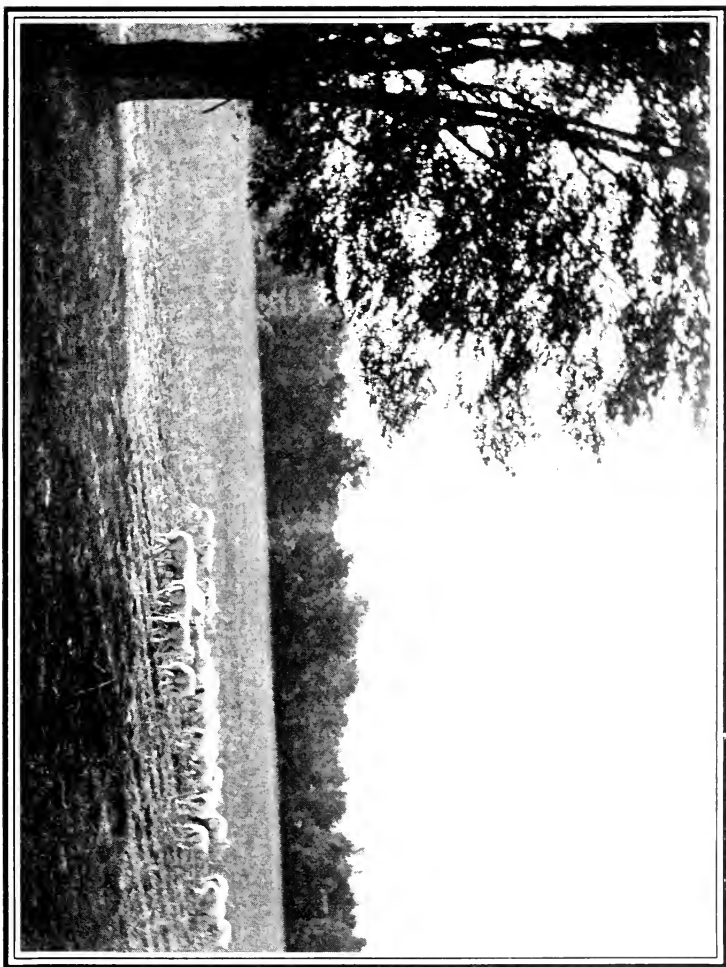
Bisected by the White river and bounded on the east by the Black, both navigable, traversed by the new, through line (White River Branch) of the Iron Mountain Railway. With a grandness of mountain scenery, with fertile soils from plateau to valley, with great deposits of phosphate rock, manganese, marble, limestone and iron, the attractions and possibilities of this county are wonderful. The bit of scenery shown in our frontispiece—Penters Bluff, with a glimpse of the river and distant peaks in the background—is located on the New White River Line, and the photo was taken from the back platform of the train while passing through this county. The tops of the mountains form broad, fertile plateaus adapted to the raising of all crops and particularly excel in fruit production. Live stock does well and outside pastures are fine. There is no need to mention game or fish or camp life in this connection, for a glance at our frontispiece tells to the sportsman a story which can not be told in words.

Batesville, the county seat, has a population of more than 2,500 and is one of the leading educational centers of Arkansas. Other promising towns are Moorefield, Newark and Mount Olive. The people of Independence county are thoroughly alive to the possibilities in store for the locality and are willing and anxious to lend a helping hand in the interest of progress and to welcome the new comer, who visits the county in search of a home.

POINSETT COUNTY.

Area, 727 Square Miles. Population, 7,025. County
Seat, Harrisburg.

Is located almost entirely outside the limits of the Iron Mountain land grant, and that road never had a large acreage of lands in this county. With the exception of a narrow strip extending north and south across the center of the county, the surface is low and level, but is all drainable and will develop rapidly into fine farms. The soil is mostly alluvial and very rich. Subsoil yellow

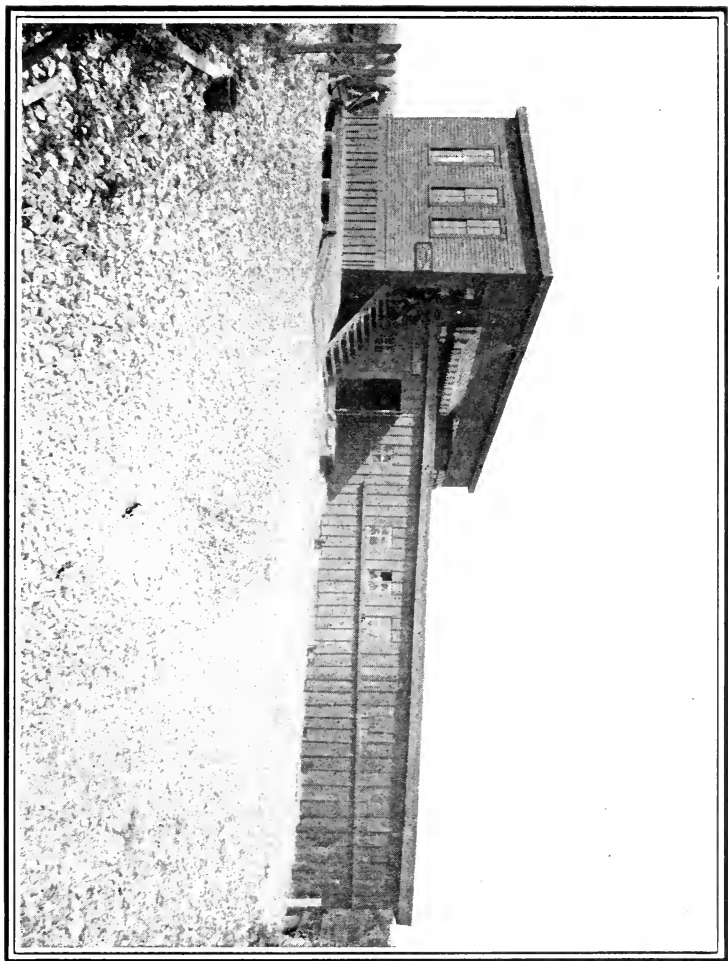


and red clay. Like her neighbor counties in the flat sections her timber growth has been superb, and of great economic value. The products of the soil are raised with great profit and nearly the entire acreage of the county is fertile, yielding all farm crops in profusion. The county is at present noted for its live stock, the great woods pastures being utilized to some extent by the residents. Game and fish are plentiful. Harrisburg is the chief town and claims 500 inhabitants. Greenfield and Weiner are also growing villages. A heavier negro population is found in this than in preceding counties owing to a considerable area being utilized for cotton growing. Lands are very cheap, but are good in quality and prices will rise rapidly with demand. The county is fitted for general farming and its future wealth will be dug from the soil.

CROSS COUNTY.

Area, 629 Square Miles. Population, 11,051. County
Seat, Wynne.

Lies south of Poinsett, about one-third of the area is gently rolling, the balance lies low and level, with just sufficient elevation and slope to permit of easy drainage. The soil is alluvial and underlaid by red and yellow clay. Fine drinking water is secured everywhere at depths ranging from sixteen to sixty feet. Drive wells can be procured in all sections except along the summit of Crowley's Ridge. Good brick clays are found in many places. While fine, hardwood timber is the rule all over the section, that of eastern Cross county is noted as being especially heavy. Cotton, corn, cane, wheat, oats, rye, red and crimson clover, alfalfa, timothy and other grasses are successfully produced. All fruits adapted to the latitude, and the various kinds of live stock are raised. Game is still plentiful in the most thinly settled parts and fish fill all the fine rivers, creeks and lakes of the section. The county is most fortunate in transportation facilities, having two lines of the Iron Mountain system and the main line of the Cotton Belt. White inhabitants are largely in the majority, the negroes being employed almost exclusively in the cotton fields and as heavy laborers about the many saw mills. Wild lands range in price from \$3.50 to \$10.00. This county is destined to become very



important in agricultural industry, and great activity in drainage work has begun. Wynne is the leading city, at the junction of two branches of the Iron Mountain system, is a division station and has a population of nearly 2,000.

WOODRUFF COUNTY.

Area, 593 Square Miles. Population, 16,304. County Seat, Augusta.
Railroad Lands for Sale, 2,958 Acres.

Lies west of Cross county and east of the White river. Its surface is low and level. Soil alluvial. Almost the entire area of the county is fine cotton or corn land. The timber consists of the various hard woods native to the section, with cypress and tupello gum swamps skirting the streams. Products are the same as in the preceding county, game abounds in the wild districts. Augusta is the leading town and McCrory is a good business point. Land values range higher than in some of the neighboring counties, and heavy acreages of cotton and corn have been raised for many years.

WHITE COUNTY.

Area, 1,035 Square Miles. Population, 24,864. County Seat, Searcy.
Railroad Lands for Sale, 61,158 Acres.

Beginning at the White river this great county runs west for nearly forty miles, the surface gradually rising until an elevation of nearly a thousand feet is reached. The soil is as varied as the surface and is adapted to an equally varied list of products. It is often said in connection with the productiveness of this region, "raise anything possible in the Southwest and we will duplicate it in White county, Arkansas." That part which lies adjacent to the Iron Mountain Railway and near the cities of Beebe and Judsonia has become famous for market gardening and small fruits, while near the city of Searcy large orchards of pears and peaches are now being planted. Transportation facilities are first-class and all lines of industry are fostered.

The chief cities are Searcy, Beebe, Judsonia and Bald Knob. At Beebe heavy settlements are being made by people from Tennessee, Kentucky, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and the Northwest. There are but few negroes in this county. The people are prosperous, energetic and progressive and unite upon and push every proposition which is for the public good. This is an extra desirable locality in which to locate a home or place an investment in land, as prices are now far below the figure where the fertility of the soil combined with the high character of the people will ultimately fix them.

CLEBURNE COUNTY.

Area, 635 Square Miles. Population, 9,628. County
Seat, Heber.

Located entirely within the Boston Mountains, its surface consists of broad plateaus, separated by deep, broad valleys. The Little Red river cuts Cleburne county into two nearly equal sections, from which stream the country rises in both directions until an elevation of about 1,000 feet is reached. Through the disintegration of the local deposits of sandstone together with silt, from limestone and phosphate rock deposits further up the streams, a fine alluvial soil has been formed in the valleys, while the plateau soils are rich in potash, iron and humus and a combination, upland and valley place, in this section would be hard to beat for general purpose farming. The uplands are especially adapted to fruit and live stock, at the same time producing good crops of wheat and fair yields of corn, oats and cotton, while the valley soils are the finest for general grain raising. The timber of this county is mostly hard wood, but there is a sprinkling of pine on the uplands. Like all her sister counties, Cleburne is a paradise for the sportsman and angler. She has no navigable water nor as yet railroads, although a line is now projected down the valley of the Little Red river, which will no doubt be completed within the next year.

The crowning glory of this country is her magnificent medicinal waters and healing springs, which, notwithstanding their isola-

tion and remoteness from transportation, have already become noted and much frequented by the afflicted from other States. The population of this county is exclusively white. Deeded lands can be had at from \$3.00 to \$10.00 per acre and government lands are yet obtainable in the more remote parts.

LONOKE COUNTY.

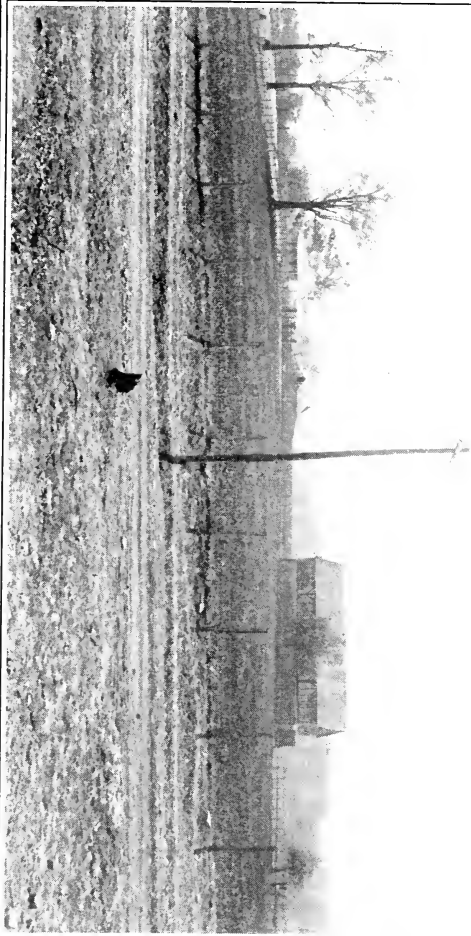
Area, 784 Square Miles. Population, 22,544. County Seat, Lonoke.
Railroad Lands for Sale, 6,260 Acres.

Located near the center of the State, its surface generally level or very gently rolling with sufficient elevation to permit of easy drainage, a soil rendered rich by receiving the wash from the mountain districts further west. This is one of the most fertile counties of this section of the State. All grains, cotton, vegetables and small fruits are raised. Dairying for the Little Rock and Hot Springs city market is an important industry. Rice growing has also been tried and found successful. Live stock of all kinds does well and some of the best equipped breeding farms of the State are located here. Lonoke, Carlisle, Austin, Cabot and England are the leading towns. A heavy colored population occupies the large cotton plantations in the southern part, but in the central and northern sections the people are nearly all white. Lands range in price from \$3.50 to \$30.00, according to soil, location and improvements. General farming, dairying and stock raising will always be the leading industries.

PULASKI COUNTY.

Area, 788 Square Miles. Population, 63,179. State Capital and County Seat, Little Rock. Railroad Lands for Sale, 50,510 Acres.

Located in the exact center of the State. The surface varies from mountainous in the western to low and level in the eastern part. Has a great variety of soil and subsoil adapted to the successful production of a correspondingly large variety of products. The city of Little Rock, with more than 50,000 population, forms a



local market which renders the industries of truck gardening, fruit raising and dairying very profitable. Along the Arkansas river are some of the finest cotton and corn lands in the world. The timber growth, which consists of both hard woods and pine is fast disappearing. Owing to its prominence as a railroad center Little Rock is fast becoming an important manufacturing and wholesale point and with these facts in view land prices ranging all the way from \$5.00 to \$25.00 for railroad lands to \$60.00 per acre for the best of improved farms may be considered ridiculously cheap.

The principal minerals found in this county are bauxite, from which aluminum is secured, heavy deposits of which are found and worked in the southern and southwestern section. Lead and zinc, in small quantities in the northwest corner. Iron in the west, plumbago, slate, soapstone, potters clay and superior granite in three colors. There are also indications of coal, copper, silver and petroleum.

Farmers, stockmen, gardeners, manufacturers, miners, quarrymen, laborers, professional men and capitalists, will alike find this county a profitable and satisfactory place to locate.

THE WHITE RIVER VALLEY.

There is perhaps no section of the United States which is at the present time exciting deeper and more wide-spread interest, than the wonderful Valley of this great river. Since the beginning of construction of the new White River Branch of the St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern Railway, from Batesville, Arkansas, to Carthage, Missouri, the attention of the public has for the first time been attracted to the grand scenic features of this region. Leaving the city of Newport, where this line branches off from the Iron Mountain main line, the route for about twenty-five miles lies in the midst of gently rolling lands, dotted here and there with well tilled fields and well filled pastures. Several small villages are passed, then we reach the beautiful city of Batesville with its fine business blocks, comfortable homes and many churches and colleges. Leaving here we suddenly plunge into the depths of the rugged and grand. The road hugs the base of the cliffs along the

margin of the river bottom, often where the crystal waters wash the precipice, excavations were necessary under the ledges for the road bed. From the first entrance into the mountains, ever changing objects of interest succeed each other so rapidly that the tourist is bewildered and lost in admiration. As we pass on the grandeur increases, the colorings of foliage and rocks become more varied and each succeeding promontory becomes loftier until their summits seem to pierce the clouds. Nor are the wonders of this region confined to the roadbed or river front. On the contrary, the unaccountable and mysterious works and formations of nature are multiplied as you leave the valleys and penetrate the narrow, dark chasms of the interior, or stroll over the broad plateaus, where awe-inspiring and interesting objects constantly cluster around you. There are many caves of strange and varied character. Some filled with stalactites and stalagmites. Some strewn with diamond covered objects resembling animals, buildings, altars and household furniture. Others contain streams and lakes. Some known as blowing caves which inhale and exhale, and seem to be "old earth's breathing holes." Others are inhabited by myriads of bats and all are filled with strange noises, echoes and sound reverberations which strike terror into the average heart. Few of these caves have been explored throughout, and stand there flaunting a perpetual challenge in the face of every visitor. There are the chimney rocks, natural castles and haystack rocks, inviting the learned of the world to hazard a "guess" at the "secret of their presence" and formation. Crystal springs, pools and streams, with fern covered and grassy banks, cool shady nooks where leisure hours may be pleasantly passed are among the attractions for the pleasure seeker of this Arkansas Wonderland.

Let us now view the substantial side. Let us glance at the broad valleys covered deep in their inexhaustable, alluvial soils; let us ascend the mountain and view as far as the eye can reach on every side the great stretches of gently undulating plateau lands, rich as a garden and adapted to prolific production of all the crops native to our latitude. There the apple, peach, pear, cherry, grape and a long list of small fruits and vegetables, mature in premium taking quality. Scan the slopes and cliffs and behold the great masses of iron, lead, zinc, manganese, phosphate rock,

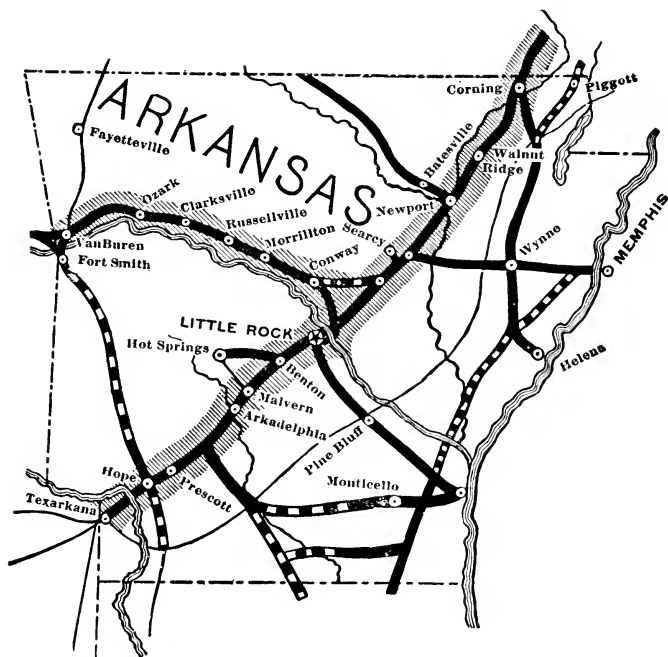
limestone, marble and countless other minerals only waiting for your enterprise and industry to transform your "time into money."

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We can only add, your presence is requested at your own leisure, to come and view these things with your own eyes.

RAILROAD LANDS.

The St. Louis, Iron Mountain & Southern and Little Rock & Fort Smith Railways own nearly two million acres of land in the State of Arkansas, which are offered to actual settlers at low prices and on easy terms. These lands lie in the counties of Clay, Randolph, Greene, Lawrence, Sharp, Craighead, Jackson, Inde-



Map showing the Iron Mountain and Little Rock and Fort Smith Railroad Land Grants.

pendence, Woodruff, White, Cleburne, Prairie, Lonoke, Pulaski, Saline, Grant, Garland, Hot Spring, Dallas, Clark, Pike, Howard, Sevier, Hempstead, Nevada, Ouachita, Little River, Miller, Lafayette, Faulkner, Perry, Conway, Van Buren, Pope, Johnson, Yell, Logan, Franklin, Crawford and Sebastian, and comprise lands of

every description. For information relative to dates and route of land excursions, the reader is requested to correspond with any of the agents named on pages 31 and 32 of this pamphlet.

COME TO ARKANSAS.

Since its admission into the Union, Arkansas has never ceased to advance. She has never had a boom; she has never had a setback. Her natural resources are so great and varied in their character, so strong and far-reaching in their attractiveness, that immigration has, through all the years, come to her in a steady stream and, like her great rivers, it never flows backward.

There is not an acre of her surface which does not, in its wild state, produce something of value which can be turned into cash on the markets of the world.

Her agricultural lands cover an area of more than twenty-five millions of acres, only about one-third of which are now under cultivation.

Her lands which are especially adapted to fruit growing comprise nearly twenty million acres, and not one-twentieth are now utilized for that purpose.

More than seven million acres contain valuable minerals, almost entirely undeveloped, and much of it never having been prospected.

In a coal field underlying nearly five million acres and yielding a quality of smokeless coal generally considered equal, and by some superior, to Pennsylvania hard coal, hardly a score of mines are operated.

Her timber land originally covered almost the entire thirty-three million acres comprising the State, and there is enough merchantable timber now standing, which, if manufactured into lumber and sold at market price, would produce funds sufficient to buy and pay for all the farming land in our sister State of Kansas at assessed valuation.

Four million acres contain valuable architectural stone and clays, and it is almost untouched.

A few of our medicinal springs are improved, and nearly an hundred thousand of the world's afflicted make annual pilgrimages to Arkansas to partake of their health and life-giving waters.

More than three thousand miles of majestic, navigable rivers, almost entirely unimproved today, are destined to be converted into ship canals and commerce carriers, their immeasurable power utilized, and their banks lined by thousands of factories ere the passing of the present generation.

With all these unused and undeveloped possessions, Arkansas invites the farmer, the fruit grower, the miner, the manufacturer, the merchant, the capitalist, the professional man, the invalid, the industrious, the enterprising, the deserving of all vocations, to come and build their homes. **Come! She will do you good!**



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